

# NATIONAL/REGIONAL CRIME COMPARISON

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\*Note that the following tables are based on information from the FBI's Uniform Crime Reports and the latest available data available for comparison was from 2004.\*

## 2004 CRIMES IN CITIES OF 94,000-106,000 RESIDENTS, NATIONWIDE

<b>City</b>	<b>Murder</b>	<b>Rape</b>	<b>Robbery</b>	<b>Assault</b>	<b>Burglary</b>	<b>Larceny</b>	<b>Auto Theft</b>	<b>Total</b>
Macon, GA	16	54	253	367	2,003	6,455	1,026	10,174
Berkeley, CA	4	17	355	181	1,382	6,101	1,128	9,168
Wichita Falls, TX	9	71	216	885	1,750	5,378	564	8,873
Davenport, IA	6	53	279	997	1,527	5,446	456	8,764
Richmond, CA	35	36	500	509	1,038	2,765	2,377	7,260
Everett, WA	3	62	185	313	1,346	3,986	1,672	7,567
Gresham, OR	2	73	110	269	1,030	3,400	1,258	6,142
Athens-Clarke County, GA	5	49	166	247	1,199	4,432	358	6,456
Pueblo, CO	7	34	203	422	1,298	4,038	439	6,441
Allentown, PA	11	51	360	230	1,389	3,861	530	6,432
Dearborn, MI	2	17	157	887	607	3,255	1,036	5,961
Albany, NY	10	53	394	674	1,294	3,825	467	6,717
Gary, IN	54	68	346	209	1,500	2,398	1,219	5,794
Miami Gardens, FL	11	84	501	1,331	1,056	4,449	1,043	8,475
Portsmouth, VA	8	30	345	508	1,244	3,574	579	6,288
Charleston, SC	9	51	244	742	928	4,007	506	6,487
Fairfield, CA	3	42	214	495	738	3,276	619	5,387
El Cajon, CA	7	21	164	353	815	2,354	1,090	4,804
Compton, CA	39	28	466	1,031	611	967	968	4,110
Ventura, CA	3	18	94	144	743	2,758	419	4,179
Boulder, CO	0	35	40	89	574	3,049	166	3,953
<b>Cambridge, MA</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>2,654</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>4,319</b>
Lowell, MA	5	44	169	771	576	2,002	633	4,200
Arvada, CO	0	19	47	114	528	2,616	509	3,833
South Gate, CA	9	15	290	232	501	1,346	1,295	3,688
Richardson, TX	2	14	96	146	728	2,501	282	3,769
Woodbridge Township, NJ	4	10	58	246	505	2,077	275	3,175
Erie, PA	1	65	206	188	747	2,470	119	3,796
New Bedford, MA	5	50	250	664	892	1,867	448	4,176
Santa Clara, CA	2	37	52	148	463	2,429	371	3,502
Burbank, CA	4	14	82	162	510	1,870	465	3,107
Edison Township, NJ	2	7	68	138	394	1,774	287	2,670
Livonia, MI	1	23	50	91	325	1,700	289	2,479
Daly City, CA	3	19	123	173	209	1,595	531	2,653
Vacaville, CA	2	36	82	211	362	1,690	319	2,702
Cary, NC	1	15	30	48	413	1,520	101	2,128
Mission Viejo, CA	1	4	34	81	228	1,001	83	1,432

Average	8	36	202	393	870	2,997	659	5,164
<b>Cambridge, MA</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>2,654</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>4,319</b>

Among similarly sized cities in 2004, Cambridge ranked below the nationwide *average* for all but one of the index crimes (robbery). Overall, the total number of serious crimes in Cambridge ranked 16% below than the national average of similarly sized cities. Again, statistics for 2003 are the latest available from cities of similar size to Cambridge for comparative analysis.

## How Cambridge Compares Nationally in 2004:

↓ **Murder:** Cambridge had no murders in 2004.

↓ **Rape:** 63% lower than the national average per 100,000 inhabitants, continuing the downward trend, which began in 1998.

↑ **Robbery:** 79% higher than the national average per 100,000 inhabitants, likely resulting from the close proximity of Cambridge to other large cities.

↓ **Assault:** 15% below the national average per 100,000 inhabitants.

↓ **Burglary:** 8% below the national average per 100,000 inhabitants, continuing the downward trend, which began in the early 1980s.

↓ **Larceny:** 12% below the national average. Larceny typically accounts for the highest percentage of index crimes in Cambridge but traditionally reports lower numbers than the national average.

↑ **Auto Theft:** 4% higher than the national average.

## 2004 TOTAL NUMBER AND RATE OF CRIMES IN SELECT MASSACHUSETTS CITIES AND TOWNS

<i>City</i>	<i>Population</i>	<i>Murder</i>	<i>Rape</i>	<i>Robbery</i>	<i>Assault</i>	<i>Burglary</i>	<i>Larceny</i>	<i>Auto Theft</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Total Rate*</i>
Fall River	92,516	1	81	229	802	1,334	1,492	536	4,475	4,837
Brockton <sup>1</sup>	94,838	6	52	233		670	2,283	945	4,189	4,417
Lynn	89,340	4	16	179	791	677	1,662	592	3,921	4,389
Chicopee	54,847	1	28	43	275	427	1,038	268	2,080	3,792
Lawrence	72,301	4	22	129	292	518	613	599	2,177	3,011
<b>Cambridge</b>	<b>101,320</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>2,654</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>4,319</b>	<b>4,263</b>
Lowell	104,081	5	44	169	771	576	2,002	633	4,200	4,035
New Bedford	93,863	5	50	250	664	892	1,867	448	4,176	4,449
Haverhill	60,167	1	27	54	212	679	612	206	1,791	2,977
Somerville	76,095	3	13	114	128	468	1,002	359	2,087	2,743
Framingham	92,516	1	81	229	802	1,334	1,492	536	4,475	4,837
Quincy	88,824	3	17	100	261	516	914	253	2,064	2,324
Brookline <sup>1</sup>	56,493	0	12	46		215	741	91	1,105	1,956
Waltham	58,739	0	9	17	70	145	624	85	950	1,617
Newton	84,101	0	3	5	42	147	677	32	906	1,077
Average	81,336	2	31	136	412	621	1,312	401	2,861	3,382
<b>Cambridge</b>	<b>101,320</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>2,654</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>4,319</b>	<b>4,263</b>

\*Rate is calculated per 100,000 residents.

\*Statistics for 2004 for select Massachusetts cities are the latest available for comparative analysis with Cambridge.

<sup>1</sup> Note that assault statistics for the City of Brockton and Brookline were unavailable.

There were approximately 3,814 crimes per 100,000 residents in Cambridge. Note that this number does not reflect the increased daytime population, which exceeds 250,000 people on any given day.